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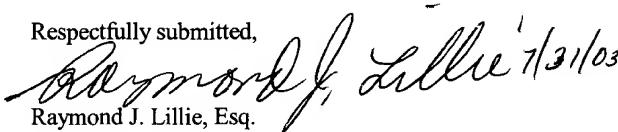
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In response to the Communication mailed July 1, 2003, Applicants elect a mouse as the first species and a human as the second species. The Claims which read on this election are Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, and 7-9.

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